

MISTAKEN FOR A BURGLAR. TUGBOAT ENGINEER DROWNED

Butler Borrowed a Ladder to Get Into His Own House.

Marron Followed and Wanted to Help "Crack the Job."

John J. Butler, a young man, living at 238 West One Hundred and Twentieth street, going home at 3 o'clock this morning, discovered that he had lost his latch-key.

His window on the second floor was open, however, and nothing daunted, he went across the street, where a building is in course of construction, borrowed a ladder in the dark, carried it across, and standing it up against his own window, he managed to clamber up and into his open window.

He had been in his room but a moment when the window was darkened by the intense darkness. He demanded to know the errand of the strange visitor and a husky voice said:

"I say, pard, I saw you coming in and I thought I'd come up and help you to do the job. It's an easy job to crack."

Butler tried to convince the maker of the ladder that he was not a burglar, but he was so sure that he knew better and tried to clamber into the window, where Butler tackled him. They were a struggle and then the would-be assassin tumbled to the sidewalk fifteen feet below.

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Cronk Knocked Overboard by a Collision in the Atlantic Basin.

Vosburgh Crashed Into the Wright, Almost upsetting Her.

At 6:30 o'clock this morning the tugboats E. W. Vosburgh and George W. Wright were moving out of the Gap in Atlantic basin, with the Wright in the lead. Capt. David Henderson, of the Wright, blew his whistle as a signal to the Vosburgh, which was not understood, and the Vosburgh crashed into the Wright, striking her amidships and careening her to one side.

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BLAZE IN THE HUDSON BUILDING.

Wholesale Grocer Myers's Stock Damaged About \$2,500.

The automatic alarm gave warning at 3:30 this morning of a fire in the big six-story Hudson Building at 339-349 West Thirteenth street.

When the men got there they found a fierce fire burning on the second floor of No. 347, occupied by Hug & Bischowitz, lithographers and proprietors of the New York Paper-Box Company.

As a precautionary measure, two alarms were sounded. The flames were soon got under control, but not before considerable water damage had been done to the wholesale grocer's stock.

Henry Encore, son of the owner, His loss is about \$2,500. Hug & Bischowitz boats were somewhat damaged.

MRS. M'LAUGHLIN SHUT OFF.

Lady Managers Wouldn't Allow Investigation of Alleged Crookedness.

CHICAGO, July 27.—Yesterday's session of the Board of Lady Managers was a repetition of the meetings that have been held for the last few weeks.

At the first meeting of the Grand Parks, N. D., started the day's work objecting to the manner in which the nominations for jurors have been made.

No woman, excepting representatives of North Dakota now," she declared, "and I want to know the reason why.

You may think the West has not much sense, but tell your that there is something crooked in here, and I am going to learn what it is."

Then Mrs. McLaughlin was called to order. She was interesting disclosures were lost in an audience that hoped for some actual statements.

The committee appointed to draw up a program for the annual convention composed of the following ladies: Mrs. Carre, Mrs. Sheldon, Mrs. Thacher, Mrs. Lynde, Mrs. McCaw, Mrs. Palmer, and Mrs. Merriam.

AFTER TORRE'S \$7,000.

A Young Woman Says He Had Another Name and She's His Daughter.

BALTIMORE, July 27.—John Torre, a shoemaker, who lived in Baltimore for many years, died last October. In his will, which was made in December, 1891, he gave all his property to his friend, August Kremer.

Mrs. Maria Handbuch, of Germany, came to Baltimore to Torre's model home on the ground floor, and there found that his real name was Hermann Handbuch.

It is claimed that Hermann Handbuch, was married in Philadelphia in 1869.

The administrators produced testimony to show that Torre was considered a good man by his friends in Baltimore, and that he never spoke of having a wife. Seven thousand dollars is the amount at issue.

CHINESE PUGILISTS FINED.

They Had a Bout and Tumble Fight; Over an Unpaid Debt.

Lee Hong and Wing Gee, two Chinese laundrymen, were arraigned in the Tomba Police Court this morning by Policeman Keebo, of the Fifth Precinct. The policeman found them fighting in a Pell-mell street last night, rolling over each other.

Wing Gee told Judge Martin that in June of last year Lee Hong borrowed \$25 from him and has never paid him back. They met last night and had a fight over the non-payment of the debt.

They were fined \$5 each.

THE FATHER TO SUE THE STATE.

Case of the Boy Broderick, Killed at Buffalo, Coming Up Again.

BUFFALO, July 27.—Michael Broderick, father of the boy shot by one of the militiamen of the Twenty-second Regiment last August during the switch in the state capitol, will soon begin suit against the State to recover \$300 for his son's death.

Sergeant Stern has granted limited jurisdiction of administration to the father in order that the action may be tried.

KILLED BY MISTAKE.

Shots Intended for Bud Stephenson Strike Brett.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 27.—A special from Tampa says that yesterday morning before daylight had met fire at Bud Stephenson through an open window as he lay in bed. The shots missed him but instantly killed Henry O. Brett, who was watching with Stephenson.

The bullet struck Marshall Whitehurst on the bottom rib, and he has since been in a precarious condition from wounds there inflicted.

Twenty Minutes' Delay for Fire.

CHICAGO, July 27.—Ten little stores in the Algerian village on the Midway Plaisance were closed yesterday by the exposition authorities for non-payment of the percentage due to the fair.

Exhibition tickets, \$0.40 cents.

SEA BEACH ROUTE.

Leave Rockaway street, terminus elevated, Rockaway line and take Rockaway line, 10th street, to 10th street, then take Rockaway line to Rockaway Beach.

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